

Department of Permits Approvals and Inspections
111 West Chesapeake Avenue
Towson, Maryland 21204
Baltimore County, Maryland

In the Matter of

Civil Citation No. 89320

Patric K. Hill
Sandy M. Hill

1707 Searles Road

Respondents

FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW
FINAL ORDER OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

This matter came before the Administrative Law Judge on March 23, 2011 for a Hearing on a citation for violations under the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (BCZR) section 101, 102.1, 1B01.1, 400, failure to remove illegally placed accessory structure on residential property.

On March 10, 2011, pursuant to § 3-6-205, Baltimore County Code, Inspector Alphonso Griffin issued a Code Enforcement & Inspections Citation. The citation was sent to the Respondent by 1st class mail to the last known address listed in the Maryland State Tax Assessment files.

The citation proposed a civil penalty of \$800.00 (eight hundred dollars).

The following persons appeared for the Hearing and testified: Patric Hill, owner, August Stockman, neighbor, Bridget Bishop, neighbor and, Alphonso Griffin, Baltimore County Code Enforcement Officer.

Testimony was presented that, based upon an email complaint an inspection was carried out at the subject property on 2/23/11, which revealed that a shed had been placed on the property but was not properly placed behind the rear foundation of the primary structure. A correction notice was issued. A re-inspection took place on 3/10/11, showing no change. A citation was issued, mailed and posted for an illegally placed accessory structure. The inspector spoke with the Respondent on 3/21/11 and was informed that he was unsure how far to move the shed, but was committed to bringing the structure into compliance. Respondent testified and confirmed his commitment to properly placing the shed as soon as possible.

Having heard the testimony and evidence presented at the Hearing:

IT IS ORDERED by the Administrative Law Judge that a civil penalty be imposed in the amount of \$500.00 (five hundred dollars).

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the \$500.00 civil penalty be RESCINDED if the property is in compliance by May 1, 2011.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the County inspect the property to determine whether the violations have been corrected.

ORDERED this 29th day of March 2011

Signed: Original Signed 3/29/11
Lawrence M. Stahl
Managing Administrative Law Judge

NOTICE TO RESPONDENT: The Respondent is advised that pursuant to §3-6-301(a) of the Baltimore County Code, the Respondent may appeal this order to the Baltimore County Board of Appeals within fifteen (15) days from the date of this order; any such appeal requires the filing of a petition setting forth the grounds for appeal, payment of a filing fee of \$150 and the posting of security to satisfy the penalty assessed.

LMS/jaf